perspective

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Three candidates for real changes

In the midst of pre-registration, parties and the mid-term blues, Carrboro elections seem to be of the remotest importance to the UNC student. But the resident of Carrboro faces a rare and gratifying experience behind the curtains Tuesday.

When he or she marks the ballot, it may actually make some difference in determining living conditions in Carrboro. Unlike the Chapel Hill voter, the Carrboro voter is faced with a real choice—a choice of ideology in town government and a choice of future governmental action or inaction in Carrboro.

The camps are sharply divided. On one side is the Carrboro Community



Carrboro alderman candidates



Patterson

Coalition, dedicated unequivocally to the establishment of a bus system and other services in Carrboro, as well as to a more far-sighted approach to town planning. On the other side are the status quo candidates, who have fiercely opposed the Coalition.

For the Coalition, the issues are services, especially a bus system, for all of Carrboro. For the conservative faction, the issue is fiscal responsibility, and according to one candidate, steering Carrboro from the course of bankruptcy.

Three candidates are running on the Coalition ticket for aldermen while three others definitely oppose the Coalition.

Two independents are running between the battle lines, one learning towards the Coalition and one towards the entrenched Carrboro government.

For the student, buses are the major issue. Parking on campus is another in a long line of expenses and, like everything else, a harrowing journey through the jungle of red tape. Commuting to campus is inconvenient, impractical and uneconomical for students.

The town as a whole needs a fresh, professional outlook in planning. Carrboro will continue to expand, and the proper supervision of this expansion can improve conditions for students and citizens now living in Carrboro as well as those yet to come.

In the past, Carrboro has suffered from a piecemeal approach to town planning. Land use, zoning, apartment

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regulation and other concerns have been implemented without any guiding principles, without an eye for the future.

Fortunately, this can be changed. Of the eight candidates, there are three who could compose a Carrboro Board of Aldermen that would change Carrboro's approach to government for the better.

The first of these is Bob Drakeford. Drakeford is a talented, articulate man with invaluable experience as a professional planner. Drakeford boasts a master's degree in regional planning from UNC as well as an unusual feel for the real nuts and bolts operation of town government.

A Coalition candidate, Drakeford is committed to a strong bus system but understands and readily admits the financial problems involved. Drakeford has worked hard to inform Carrboro citizens of the exact burdens of cost (including increase in room rents because taxes on apartment owners will go up) but is convinced that the citizens of Carrboro consider the benefits of buses much greater than the costs. Drakeford is one of the few people who have actually discussed specifically the dollars and cents impact of buses. He has neither hidden behind the catch word "fiscal responsibility" nor "increased services."

Ernie Patterson, currently a member of the Carrboro Board of Adjustment, is an advocate of "controlled change" for Carrboro, Patterson has consistently emphasized the need for town hall to be receptive to all segments of the community, as it has not been in the past. Patterson looks to bring town politics out of the living rooms of "civic leaders" and into the public eye. A Coalition candidate, Patterson is a strong supporter of a bus system for Carrboro. Patterson sees Carrboro as a total community, with definite recreational needs. He is articulate and well-versed in town politics.

Patterson's experience and proven dedication to Carrboro municipal government along with his openminded attitude prove his definite potential as an instrument of positive change in Carrboro.

Lynda de Friess, one of only two independents in the race, is another excellent candidate. De Friess has served in many civic organizations in Carrboro as apolitical as the Carrboro-Chapel Hill United Fund Board, and the fund committee for the South Orange Rescue Squad Building.

De Friess displays a perceptive view of the problems of buses, planned growth, street conditions and the lack of bicycle paths-all of which she considers top priority.

A graduate of the Rochester Institute of Business, De Friess has a tight grasp on the financial problems the town faces as it tries to readjust its focus and expand its services. She advocates the purchases of only as many buses as are absolutely necessary.

De Friess, Patterson and Drakeford are competent to lead Carrboro to constructive changes in its methods of municipal government. Neither of the candidates for mayor, however, seems appropriate to be at the vanguard of this change.

Ruth West offers a progressive but simplistic outlook and only limitedexperience in town government while Fred Chamblee offers experience but little possibility of change from the status quo.

The real future of Carrboro government will be decided Tuesday in the voting for aldermen.

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Robert Pharr Wallace's strengths overlooked

Chapel Hill voters do indeed face a difficult decision in tomorrow's mayoral election. Cole Campbell in his editorial endorsement of Gerry Cohen on Friday pointed to many of the similarities of the candidates in this race. He then turned to the differences between the two that in Campbell's opinion would make Cohen the best choice for the town. In so doing, the editor has overlooked the strong points in Jim Wallace that he finds so attractive in Wallace's opponent.

The progressive stances and the energetic histories of both candidates have been recounted time and again during this campaign. Now, no one can doubt the dedication that both men have had to the underprivileged and oft-times unrepresented portions of the community.

What is surprising, however, is Campbell's belief that Gerry Cohen is better prepared to assume the role of the mayor of Chapel Hill as defined in the town's new charter. The charter says the mayor has three functions: to preside over Board of Aldermen meetings, to represent Chapel Hill in intergovernmental affairs and to listen to and to act upon the grievances and concerns of the citizens of Chapel Hill. With these functions as the legal parameters of the office, Jim Wallace is the best qualified candidate to fulfill these roles and to extend these roles in the best interest of the

Jim Wallace's oratorical prowess and organizational ability highly qualify him to assertively lead the town's board of aldermen in efficiently structured meetings and in action-delivering policy formation.

Jim Wallace's personal and political contacts in the federal, state and University administrations would make him at once a universally acceptable and aggressively effective representative of our town. We cannot risk the demise of the landmark progress made in this town during the last six years because of basic personality and philosophic differences between our primary representative and the powers controlling the purse strings in outside governmental

Most importantly, Jim Wallace would provide the sort of concerned ear to the grievances and interests of Chapel Hill's citizens that any truly democratic system must have to thrive. Campbell sees as Cohen's strongest point that he could best listen to the concerns of Chapel Hill citizens because he would be able to devote almost full-time to the job with no other job commitments to shackle him. Campbell himself admits that current Mayor Howard Lee, a man with a full time position at Duke University and with political interests beyond the town limits, has been able to

reaction

The Daily Tar Heel welcomes dissenting opinion in response to its editorial stance. This column is written in response to the DTH's endorsement on October 31 of Gerry Cohen for mayor of Chapel Hill. Anyone interested in offering reasoned dissent in a reaction column is invited to contact the associate editor in the Daily Tar Heel office.

respond to the calls of help and disgruntlement of people whom he represents whenever those calls have come.

Why then should we not believe that Jim Wallace, a man with a teaching position at another University, could not provide this listening ear and helpful hand equal to if not above and beyond the levels that Mayor Lee

Indeed, Jim Wallace has always been in the vanguard of issues of social and political importance to this town, state and nation. He has never waited for issues to come to him, but has actively pursued solutions to such important issues as race relations, environmental quality and student rights long before they became politically popular.

Jim Wallace has proven that it is in his basic constitution upon these concerns even when it means sacrifices for his family,

teaching and business.

Actually, the mayor's office is not designed to be full-time. A mayor who receives \$5000 a year, as opposed to a town manager who receives \$30,000 a year, is clearly not expected to be full-time. Jim Wallace realizes that a full-time mayor concept, such as his opponent is promoting, would quickly produce undue conflicts with the town manager. Such a realization is tantamount to efficiency and effectiveness in the operation of a council-manager form of government. However, such a realization does not mean a slackening of the mayor's function to best represent the town's concerns and the interests of all of its citizens. Jim Wallace has a clear and mature understanding of this distinction.

tomorrow. This is particularly true of students, who have so recently been afforded students vote for a person who may actually represent only the views of one or two segments of the town's population? Or do we vote for a man like Jim Wallace whose support in this campaign and whose past association with a broad range of issues and concerns shows that he is the person to fairly represent all of the diverse interests that

Students must use their vote responsibly. We must look beyond our perceived selfinterest to the best interests of the entire community of Chapel Hill. In accepting the privilege to vote in Chapel Hill, we are saying that Chapel Hill is our home. In using that vote, we must take into account the best interests of all of those who are a part of this home and realize that the best interests of our fellow Chapel Hillians are inseparable

Jim Wallace is the candidate who appeals to a diverse enough group to draw from these differences a cohesive force that will continue to make Chapel Hill a good home

from Lexington, N.C.

The citizens of Chapel Hill certainly do have a major and difficult decision to make this significant right to vote. Do we as make this "Southern part of heaven" so

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letters

A pattern in Tar Heel football

For the third consecutive season, a disturbing pattern has emerged in the Carolina football program. The 1969-72 teams were characterized by spirited efforts and gang-tackling defenses. Tar Heel teams since the have been plagued by constant lapses in motivation, resulting in unexpected losses, often to teams with far

To make matters worse, Tar Heel fans have seen a strong revival of other football programs in the Atlantic Coast Conference, many of which have caught and surpassed

The decline of the Carolina program, relative to those at State and Maryland, cannot be blamed on a lack of talent. With the exception of the present senior class, the past five recruiting seasons have been outstanding. The decline, instead, has been caused by an emotional yo-yo that the Tar Heels seem to play upon, with outstanding performances that are followed by pathetic efforts.

Witness, by contrast, the program at N.C. State. Lou Holtz has his team emotionally prepared week after week, whether the foe is Florida or East Carolina. Even in the Michigan State game this season, with State trailing 37-7, in the fourth quarter, Wolfpack defenders continued to swarm

around the ball carrier. This is a far cry from the Tar Heel defenders, who are often seen standing around in indecision or half-heartedly attempting arm tackles.

The point is obvious: there has been a very poor utilization of talent in our football program. Either the teams have lacked character or the coaching staff does not appreciate the role that emotion plays in college football.

Before our program slips even further behind those at other conference schools, a change must take place. The coaches must provide motivation, or they must leave.

Bill Dooley must show that he is on a competitive level with Jerry Claiborne and Lou Holtz, whose teams have been outperforming Carolina teams, with talent that

Dooley says that he is not going to panic. We hope he is aware that this trend has now been going on for three years, and the fans, the backbone of the program, are disgusted. The alumni, the students and the fans

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From Deep Throat to Scotland Neck

To the editor:

The noted Freudian, Dr. Fred C. Dobbs, has written in his latest book entitled Psychology, Sublimation, Politics and Related Subjects: A Study, that a fervent following of political pursuits "generally results from the ruthless repression of libidinal lust by the superego and related forces, thus channeling the thwarted energy toward the attainment of public power." (p.

Most Jungians, Skinnerians and Episcopalians agree that Dr. Dobbs' dogged and dogmatic theories are over-simplified and underdeveloped. Cole Campbell, however, has given credence to Dobbs' absurd viewpoint by stating in his Friday editorial endorsing Gerry Cohen: "He is the kind of political animal we need to scientifically breed . . . with other communities."

With this attitude we might expect to see Linda Lovelace in Deep Throat replaced by Gerry Cohen in Scotland Neck.

> Winston Jones Chairman Don't Clone Cohen Committee K-12 Colony Apts.

Dorm room auction

To the editor: I would like to make a suggestion that might help solve the current dilemma of the student body and Dr. Condie regarding the distribution of dormitory rooms.

As was pointed out in a recent article in the DTH, our economic system of supply and demand should be allowed to dictate those to whom rooms should be given. What better way to do this than an auction of the rooms by bid.

I suggest that the rooms be auctioned off to the highest bidder (the university may want to impose a minimum bid) with any monies over and above the amount normally charged for a room going to student government. This could be accomplished without a lottery or long lines and waiting by preparing a computer bid sheet on which each bidder would enter his name, the rooms he would like to bid on (in order of preference) and the amounts he would like to

The computer would then compile information useful for bidders such as the bids placed on a particular room, past bids for the room and or any other information that might make bidding on a more intelligent basis possible. It would also ascertain the highest bidder and notify him as well as provide him with a list of the other bids for the room. He would be given a specific time period to decide if he wanted the room and place a deposit on it, after which time the next highest bidder would be given the same option, or the room placed back on the bidding list.

Certain rooms would be removed from bidding to be used for freshmen students, while the rest would be up for auction. The money generated in the process could be designated by student government for loans or even in a "tax cut" reflected in reduced fees. (Not a bad idea considering our general surplus.) Those not interested in long lines and those that feel a lottery is unfair could resolve their problems by the use of free economic principles.

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Rick Buttner Comptroller weakens executive

"It must be clear that the Constitutional power given to the President cannot be taken from him and transferred to another officer by a mere legislative enactment. If such were the case, we would have no need for a Constitution."

-Excerpt from the opinion of the Student Supreme Court in O'Neal v. Bates, October 15

The comptroller bill qualifies as a "mere legislative enactment" to wrestle power away from the executive branch. This bill, if enacted, would rob the executive branch of its constitutional right to enforce the treasury laws, and transfer this right to the legislative branch.

The Student Constitution simply states that the treasurer "shall disburse all monies appropriated by the Campus Governing Council." Student Attorney General Andromeda Monroe issued an opinion on October 30, which stated that "the sole power of the authority to pay out or expend monies appropriated by the CGC resides with the treasurer ... "

Monroe went on to state that no one other than the treasurer may "disburse funds, unless he be in violation of the Student Constitution."

Since the comptroller would possess the authority to sign requisitions, thus disbursing funds, he would be performing the constitutional duties of the treasurer.

However, I do not oppose this bill solely on a constitutional basis. The office is simply unnecessary.

First of all, there exists a constitutional office designed to perform the duties that would be given to the comptroller. Proponents of the comptroller bill, arguing that the responsibilities of the treasurer are too great for one person, see it as a means to divide these duties. However, if the office needs dividing, an assistant treasurer would

be a more effective solution to this problem. Secondly, a comptroller would only add to the present red tape and confusion involved in Student Government finances.

As it stands now, the bill provides for a duplication of official duties. Thus, it does not decisively relieve any of the treasurer's present duties. The bill only creates an office that duplicates the treasurer's.

One argument used by proponents of the comptroller bill is that CGC should be able to obtain financial records upon request. However, when asked what information the treasurer has that any member of CGC cannot obtain, Dick Pope, co-sponsor of the bill, said "There isn't any." Therefore, it is not necessary for the comptroller to have the power to sign requisitions in order to obtain financial information.

It has been speculated that, if the president and the treasurer wanted to, they could easily cover up any undesirable financial information. The comptroller could do this just as easily. Either in coordination with the Finance Committee chairperson or the Rules and Judiciary Committee (the committee necessary to remove him from office), the comptroller could also cover-up similar undesirables.

The preamble of the bill states that "A high degree of professionalism, competence and continuity is essential in any efficient administration of the budget and budget laws." If a high degree of professionalism is the goal, then the comptroller should be required to have extensive accounting experience. Yet, the bill does not require such experience of the comptroller.

Although the preceeding are all good reasons to oppose the comptroller bill, the most important issue is the question of constitutionality. Student government. having had its share of legal battles this semester, can ill afford to be bogged down with another court suit.

The Student Supreme Court, in O'Neal v. Bates explicitly stated that it is the President's responsibility "to enforce and administer laws enacted by the Campus Governing Council."

The Court further explained that:

'An appropriation by the Campus Governing Council is a law enacted by the same body. As a law, its enforcement lies with the President, the treasurer is provided to assist him... In all matters of administration of laws, the President is

In view of the facts, the comptroller bill should be defeated by CGC. I urge everyone to express their opinion of this bill to your CGC representative.

With such pressing issues as the Student Bill of Rights, room sign-up systems and the proposed change in the grading system. Student Government can no longer afford to be held down by internal struggles. Progressive, not regressive, actions need to be taken now.

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